

## MELLEN HIT WITH OTHERS IN REPORT ON BOSTON-MAINE

Inquiry Board Criticizes Railroad Officials for Their Political Activities.

CONCORD, N. H., March 27.—Criticism of methods employed by officials of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company and its subsidiaries in this State in the expenditure of money to influence legislation are contained in a report of the State Public Service Commission, made public to-day.

"Political activities by railroad managers," says the report, "are entirely foreign to the purpose for which the railroad is established."

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## News Oddities



PROOF OF DOG'S DEATH must be filed in La Crosse (Wis.) court as two brothers and sister can inherit estate woman left dog.

CHAMPION BIG BOY of Ocean County (N. J.) is sixteen, 6 feet 3 inches tall, weighs 300 pounds, and is champion sprinter and hammer thrower, besides being employed in factory, night cashier in picture theatre, and official scorer of ball club.

MANY COWS got drunk near Fountain Springs (Pa.) by drinking water from stream into which 1,000 barrels of beer, confiscated by Sheriff, were emptied.

LONG DISTANCE HONEYMOON being spent by Georgia girl who, after marrying New Jersey man, decided to remain South until the weather gets warmer in Jersey, while he has to hurry home.

HAD TO SIT THREE HOURS ON FIRELESS COOKER to keep husband from getting money she hid there, alleges Tacoma (Wash.) woman suing for divorce.

## VERDUN IS ANOTHER RHEIMS; IS HIT BY 350 SHELLS DAILY

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enemy's losses have been higher with each new onslaught.

VERDUN CANNOT BE TAKEN WITHOUT HEAVY LOSS.

Verdun seems impregnable. Certainly it cannot be taken without enormous losses to the attacking forces. This whole sector is like a giant ant hill. Men and transports swarm unceasingly, day and night, in methodical movements, unconfused, unexcited and without undue haste. Ammunition is stacked like cordwood at vantage points. The number of guns seems unlimited, likewise the spare parts. Apparently there will be no lack of munitions in any contingency. The French soldiers are at their best when they are the busiest.

Verdun is a place which has an epoch in the history of the war. The citadel's defenders are an inspiring sight, as gay as the best warriors of French tradition, as war-hardened, as the imperturbable forces of Napoleon, as bulldogged as Britishers. France's fighters are visibly and noticeably better than at the start.

No Infantry Attacks Last Night.

Says Paris War Office. PARIS, March 27.—There were no infantry actions in the Verdun region last night, this afternoon's official statement says. East of the Meuse the artillery action was violent along the Douaumont-Vaux line. To the west of the river the night was relatively calm.

The text of the statement of the War Office is as follows: "In the Argonne district there has been fighting with mines which resulted to our advantage at La Fille Morte. There have also been some engagements with bombs in the sector of Courtes Cluses."

"West of the River Meuse the night was relatively calm. East of the river there has been interrupted artillery firing along the Douaumont-Vaux front.

"In the Woëvre district there has been a fairly spirited bombardment, particularly in the region of Moulinville and Chatillon, but no infantry actions. On the remainder of the front the night was quiet."

## SAYS UTILITIES COST TOO MUCH IN JERSEY

George L. Record Assails Big Corporations in Politics and in Business.

In a demand for a legislative investigation of the public utility corporations of New Jersey, George L. Record, who is seeking the Republican nomination for Governor, says that in the North Jersey gas district the people are still paying, even on the present 90-cent basis, at least \$1,000,000 too much every year. The Public Service Corporation, he asserts, has issued \$5,000,000 in securities to cover its actual investment of \$2,000,000 in the Paterson-Passaic gas plant. Recently the company, after a public hearing, reduced the price of gas from \$1 to 90 cents on 1,000 feet.

Record charges that in the Passaic gas case, which has been appealed to the United States Supreme Court, the deciding vote in the Court of Errors was cast by "a Judge who was the President of a company which had a large portion of its surplus invested in the securities of the Public Service Corporation, and this Judge's brother was a director in the Public Service."

It is charged by Record that a legislative inquiry in New Jersey will show "slush funds" and graft to politicians there that will compare with the Thompson committee revelations in New York. The public utility and brewing interests, he adds, are linked together as the Siamese-twin bosses of the State.

## Taking Foolish Chances

Men Who Invite Disaster.

There are thousands of men who have been victims of the Grip this winter who do nothing to recover the weight and strength they have lost. After an attack of the Grip one's vitality is dangerously low. The system needs building up and to neglect this may mean serious consequences. Johann Hoff's Malt Extract, the world's famous tonic food, is invaluable as a body nourisher. Builds up the entire system. Makes blood, flesh and muscle, and as a brain food has no equal. Equally beneficial to men, women and children. Held in highest medical esteem for over 50 years. Taken with meals and deliciously palatable.

## G. O. P. SENATORS DELAY ACTION IN MEXICAN SITUATION

Decision at Conference Is to Do Nothing to Embarrass the Government.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Threatened complications in the Mexican situation disappeared to-day when the Senate Republicans decided to accept the Administration's assurance that sufficient troops were on the border for protection of American interests and determined not to carry the agitation for more troops further at this time.

After the conference Senator Gallinger issued the following statement: "Republican Senators fully recognize that the duty of dealing with the present Mexican crisis rests with the President, and they have not at any time had any purpose of interfering with the Executive or any department of the Government in that matter, but they have been and are now very solicitous that the military expedition in Mexico shall be adequately protected, and, if necessary, reinforced, and that the border line shall be provided with forces sufficient to prevent raids similar to the one that occurred at Columbus."

"While realizing that their information may not be fully complete which they do have, all available regulars should be sent to the border to be reinforced by detachments from the National Guards, if circumstances demand it. Not only should Villa and his murderous band be captured and punished, but the lives and property of American citizens on both sides of the border should be protected, a thing which has not heretofore been done by our Government."

Major Gen. Funston's dispatches revealed no new developments in the pursuit of Villa, and reports from naval vessels on both coasts of Mexico disclosed nothing disquieting.

Eleuterio Arredondo, Gen. Carranza's ambassador, at the direction of his chief, presented to Secretary Lansing some proposals to broaden the pro-

col covering the joint pursuit of the Villa bandits.

The protocol suggested by Gen. Carranza was designed to cover use of Mexican railways by American troops in pursuit of Villa and would provide a working agreement under which instructions could be issued by both Governments to the military commanders to cover any contingency. Details of the new proposal will not be made public until Secretary Lansing has reviewed them.

It is believed Gen. Carranza will make no answer at present to the specific request for permission to ship supplies over the Mexican North-western to American troops now more than two hundred miles south of the line.

Apparently it is the purpose of Gen. Carranza to grant the request under the terms of the protocol when it shall have been completed and signed, rather than to extend the desired permission now and provide for it in the general agreement.

## NO U. S. TROOPS WOUNDED BY SNIPERS IN MEXICO. WASHINGTON HEARS.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—War Department officials to-day discarded reports that six American soldiers had been wounded in Mexico, saying no word of any casualties had reached here since the Villa hunt started.

COLUMBUS, N. M., March 27.—Many drivers of incoming wagon trains to-day reported encountering Mexican snipers along the Casas Grandes-Columbus road. No Americans were hit.

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## 140 AUTO-SPEEDERS ARE HALED TO COURT

Many Second and Third Offenders Among Those Summoned in Manhattan.

On charges of speeding, one hundred and forty automobilists will appear in the courts of Greater New York to-day. Summonses were served on them on Saturday, yesterday and up to midnight. Most of the speeding was in Manhattan. Many of them are charged with making as high as forty miles an hour through the streets.

The police attribute the sudden increase to the fine spring weather. Some of those on whom summonses are served are second and third offenders. There were one or two summons in Queens Borough.

One man served with a summons said he was James Glavin, twenty-eight, an actor living at No. 1419 President Street, Brooklyn. He is charged with going at a twenty-eight mile clip in Fifth Avenue between Twenty-third and Thirty-seventh Streets. The police say it is his third offense.

## THIS MYSTERY FAILS TO EXCITE THE POLICE

Girl Tells of Strange Attack in Home, in Which Letter Figures.

The strange case of Miss Gladys Blair, twenty-one years old, of No. 56 West One Hundred and Eighteenth Street, did not excite the police of Harlem to-day. Detectives Gumpers and Leonard, announcing they had "dropped the matter," said they learned:

Miss Blair screamed and the remainder of the family ran to her in the kitchen. She lay on the floor with a towel over her face and a letter on her breast. She said a man suddenly appeared, threw the towel over her face and she became unconscious. There was no sign of violence or drugs and she refused the aid of a doctor. She would not tell what was in the letter.

## SHORTAGE OF SUPPLIES SERIOUSLY HAMPERING U. S. TROOPS AFTER VILLA.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 27.—Unless permission is granted soon for the shipment of supplies over one of the Mexican railroads to the American troops the pursuit of Villa may be seriously retarded. It was explained at department headquarters to-day that the lengthening lines of communication along heavy trails had made it practically impossible to deliver supplies by auto trucks and that a serious shortage of grain for horses and mules had been experienced.

Gen. Funston desires use of the Mexican Central line from El Paso to Chihuahua, but has delayed asking for it pending Carranza's answer to Washington's request for permission to transport supplies over the Mexican Northwestern.

Many officers are convinced that the success of operations depends on the use of railroads in the territory. They declare the question is one of imperative military necessity.

## SUBWAY COVERING CAVES IN.

Fifteen-Ton Truck Makes Plank-Ing Collapse in Brooklyn.

An auto truck laden with soap and weighing, with its load, about fifteen tons, bound south in Flatbush Avenue extension from Manhattan Bridge to Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, proved too much for the resting power of the plank covering of a twenty-foot subway excavation crossing Flatbush Avenue extension at Fleet Street at noon to-day. The wheels of the truck sank through the plank into the hole, but the cross pieces held and kept the vehicle from dropping into the cut.

George Canale of No. 1492 First Avenue and Silvio Vaccarone of No. 441 West Thirty-fifth Street, helpers on the driver of the truck, Andrew Grum of No. 422 West Forty-ninth Street, Manhattan, were thrown to the roadway and painfully injured. The police charge Grum, who is employed by the Stanley Soap Company, at the foot of West Thirtieth Street, Manhattan, failed to observe a red sign warning trucks crossing the plank covering of the subway cut.

President Pasa Tribute to Peace. WASHINGTON, March 27.—President Wilson to-day paid the following tribute to Secretary Peace: "The death of Tom Peace has brought to all who knew him and to all who loved him a deep and earnest sense of irreparable loss. Few selves with public service. He had very great ability and he devoted that ability to the promotion of the things which he thought were right with a singular devotion and self-forgetfulness."

August Mahnkens, Banker, Dies. August Mahnkens, seventy-five years old, a retired banker of Bayonne, N. J., died at his home to-day. Mahnkens went to Bayonne from New York City when he was fourteen years old and entered the employ of a bank. He rose rapidly and became a well known figure in New Jersey financial affairs. He is survived by his widow and seven children.

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**Alaska Pink Salmon, No. 1 tall can.** **8c**  
**Norway Mackerel, Big, fat fish; each.** **7c**

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Choicest California Yellow Clings, in richest syrup.

Choice Fruit at a Remarkably Low Price. **California Peaches, large 2 1/2 can** **10c**  
Ripe Yellow Clings preserved in syrup.

**String Beans, Standard Brands.** **4 cans 25c**  
**June Peas, Standard Brands; choice Early June.**

**Prunes,** Meaty, thin-skinned, full-flavored California fruit. **lb. 6c**  
**Peaches,** California Evaporated; fresh shipped, ment; choice quality.  
**Rice,** Pure, uncooked whole head of the famous Blue Rose variety.

**Triumph Oats,** Highest grade; fresh from the mill; large 10c package. **7c**  
**Assorted Cakes,** Fresh from the Sunbeam Bakery; eight kinds; lb. **10c**

Highest Quality Fruits for Astonishingly Low Prices. **Apples, Delicious Wine Saps for the table; dozen** **25c**  
**Apples,** Red Baldwins and Greenings; finest for pies and cooking in every form. **5 lb. 17c**  
**Lemons,** Big Bright Juicy Messinas. **4 for 5c**  
**Grape Fruit,** Florida's Choicest; large 10c size **6c**

**New Teas, all the choice varieties.** **lb. 35c**  
**30 2x4 Stamps with each pound 35c New Teas.**  
**Maracalbo C. Santos Coffee, in bean or ground, lb.** **19c**  
**5 2x4 Stamps with each lb. of Best 19c Coffee.**

**Borax Soap, Butler's or Swift's, 8 cakes.** **25c**  
**Laundry Gloss Starch, . . 2 lbs.** **7c**

Three Bargains in Kitchen Ware Department. **Double Cooker,** For Milk, Rice, Oatmeal and all cereals. No. 2 size. **25c**  
**Dish Pans,** Large round rim, Diamond Neseo Enamelled Steel Ware, No. 917, each. **25c**  
**Coal Hods,** Japanese Sheet Steel, with strong handles, extra cheap and serviceable, ea. **19c**

At All 35 James Butler Inc. Meat Markets. **Boneless Bacon,** In lean, sugar-cured strips; lb. **20c**  
**Boneless Pot Roast,** All tender, juicy meat; lb. **18c**  
**Fricassee Chickens,** For Soups and Stews; lb. **18c**  
**Chuck Steak,** Fancy Quality; lb. **16c**  
**Country Sausages,** Fresh-made; lb. **14c**  
**Sauerkraut,** Crisp and white; **3 lbs. 10c**

At All 137 James Butler Inc. Licensed Stores. **Kingussie Scotch Whiskey.** Extraordinary value; bot. **85c**  
**Sir John Power's Irish Whiskey, J. B. bot.** **\$1.10**  
**Magnier's ★ ★ ★ French Cognac, Bottle.** **\$1.25**  
**Old Monogram Rye Whiskey, Family favorite, bot.** **75c**

**Guinness's Stout,** dozen bottles **\$1.30;** dozen splits **90c**  
**Bass Pale Ale,** dozen bottles. **1.45;** dozen splits **\$1**  
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